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Applicant(s): Er-Xuan Ping, et al.

Invention: METHOD AND STRUCTURE FOR REDUCING LEAKAGE CURRENT IN CAPACITORS

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**SECOND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 30, 2001 (Paper No. 9), finally rejecting claims 1-95, and pursuant to the Advisory Action mailed April 9, 2002, please amend the above-identified U.S. Patent application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 2, 43, and 60-95 without prejudice.

1. (Amended) A method of forming a capacitor on a substrate in a semiconductor device, comprising:

forming a first layer of a conductive material over said substrate;

forming a second layer of a dielectric over said first layer, said second layer having a thickness not exceeding about 60 Angstroms;